



Scott Walker, Governor
Dave Ross, Secretary

POWTS Inspector Certification

Your application will not be processed or will be delayed unless you:

- ☐ 1. Complete the application including signing and dating the first page.
- ☐ 2. Write in your social security number.
- ☐ 3. Attach the specified documents listed on this application.
- ☐ 4. Attach the specified fee listed on this application.
- ☐ 5. Make a photocopy of the completed application for your records.

By signing below, the applicant swears that all information provided on this application is true, accurate and that the credential requirements are met. **Notice: Information collected may be used for participation surveys, eligibility for approvals, law enforcement (including child support and tax delinquency enforcement) purposes and other secondary purposes. The department may also provide this information to requesters pursuant to Wisconsin's open records law, ss. 19.31-19.39 stats. Social security numbers are required when applying for a license per Wisconsin Stats, but they may not be disclosed to anyone except other State of Wisconsin governmental agencies.**

Applicant Information	
Applicant's Social Security No:	
Applicant's Name (First, Middle and Last):	
Address No. & Street, or P.O. Box:	
City, Town or Village, State, Zip + 4 Code:	
Country, If Other Than United States:	
Telephone No. (include area code):	
If Available, Fax No. (include area code):	
If Available, E-mail Address:	

Applicant's Signature

Date (mo/day/yr)

Send application and payment to: DSPS Trades Credentialing, PO Box 78780, Milwaukee, WI 53293-0780.

Office location: DSPS Trades Credentialing, 1400 East Washington Ave., Madison, WI 53703

All other correspondence: DSPS Trades Credentialing, PO Box 7082, Madison, WI 53707 Phone: 608-266-2112. TTY: Contact through Relay or DspsSbCredentialing@wi.gov.

Reason for Credential: A person who holds a credential issued by the department as a certified POWTS Inspector may inspect private onsite wastewater treatment systems, POWTS, for the purpose of administering and enforcing the provisions of chs. SPS 382 to 387, as an authorized representative of the department or a local governmental unit.

Requirements of Credential: A person who inspects private onsite wastewater treatment systems as a certified POWTS Inspector shall:

- Maintain a record of the inspections made including the dates and the findings of the inspections;
- Provide a copy of the inspection record to the private onsite wastewater treatment system owner or his or her agent; and
- Make available to the department upon request inspection records.

A person who holds the credential shall carry on his or her person the credential issued by the department while performing or conducting the activity or activities permitted under the credential.

Applying for POWTS Inspector Certification

A person may obtain a credential as a certified POWTS Inspector by either **one** of the following:

Method 1 Taking and passing the POWTS Inspector certification examination.

Method 2 Submitting evidence of holding a current certification as a: Wisconsin Master or Journeyman Plumber, Wisconsin Master *or* Journeyman Plumber Restricted Service

Are you a Veteran?

If yes, please answer the following questions to see if you qualify for a fee waiver or equivalency for this credential.

1. Are you requesting a waiver of your initial credentialing fee under method 1?

☐ Yes Provide a copy of your Department of Veterans Affairs voucher code. DVA Voucher Code: _____

Your application fee of \$15 will be waived now and your credential fee will be waived once you pass the exam. **You must submit \$25 for the exam fee at this time.**

☐ No Submit the fees required under method 1 to obtain your credential.

2. Are you requesting a waiver of your initial credentialing fee under method 2?

☐ Yes Provide a copy of your Department of Veterans Affairs voucher code. DVA Voucher Code: _____

☐ No Submit the fees required under method 2 to obtain your credential.

3. Are you requesting equivalency of your military training and experience?

☐ Yes Provide copies of your service school academic reports, certificates of training, or training documentation signed by your unit's training NCO or any other relevant experience that would satisfy the requirements of method 1. You may attach a personal narrative to further explain why your education / training / experience in the military has helped you prepare for this profession.

☐ No Complete the requirements under method 1.

You may contact DVA at 1-800-WisVets or www.WisVets.com for assistance in obtaining your DVA Voucher Code and/or documents related to your training and experience.

Method 1 - Examination

Application and Exam Fee (nonrefundable): \$40.00 class code 7633

Make checks payable to: State of WI – DSPS. The fee consists of a \$15 application fee and an exam fee of \$25. When the exam is passed, the applicant will be asked to pay a \$40 credential fee, prorated because the credential expires on a specific date. The credential, which is issued after the exam is passed and the prorated credential fee paid, is effective for four years from June 30.

Examination: To obtain the credential the applicant must obtain a score of at least 70% on an exam. The exam will cover Chapter 145, Wisconsin Statutes; and SPS 305 and SPS 382-387, Wisconsin Administrative Code. The exam is open code book. When there is a change to Wisconsin Administrative Codes, exams will cover the new code one month after the effective date.

Current Wisconsin Administrative Codes and Chapter 145 may be obtained from **Document Sales**, (608) 266-3358 or (800) 362-7253.

You will need knowledge of the component manuals for the various POWTS. You will need to bring these to the exam site. These can also be purchased through Document Sales, 608-266-3358 or (800) 362-7253. The publication titles and numbers are as follows:

Manual #	Document Title
SBD-10595-P	Single Pass Sand Filter
SBD-10628-P	Recirculating Sand Filter
SBD-10656-P	Split Bed Recirculating Sand Filter System
SBD-10657-P	Drip-Line Effluent Dispersal
SBD-10691-P	Mound
SBD-10705-P	In-Ground Soil Absorption
SBD-10706-P	Pressure Distribution
SBD-10854-P	At-Grade Version 2.0
SBD10855-P	Holding Tank Version 2.0

Additional training materials relating to this credential are available and may also be ordered through Document Sales (608) 266-3358 or (800) 362-7253. They are intended to be training guides and may not match the current code.

SBD-8536-P	Cross Connection Control Manual
SBD-8869-P	Drain and Vent System Design
SBD-8036-P	Sizing the Water Supply System
SBD-9138-P	Wisconsin Water Treatment Handbook
SBD-10089-P	Wisconsin POWTS Inspector Handbook
SBD-9046-P	Soil & Site Evaluation Handbook

To schedule an upcoming exam:

- Indicate **FIRST CHOICE (1)** and **SECOND CHOICE (2)** in the event one exam site is full.
- Submit the **fee and this application to the division at least 30 days in advance of the exam date chosen.**
- Keep a copy of this application for your records. You may only schedule one future exam session at a time for each credential type. Applications sent in for multiple exam sites / times will be denied and a refund will not be issued.
- You will receive a letter from DSPS confirming your upcoming exam. Please check this form over carefully upon receipt so that you know when/where to take your exam.
- If you need special accommodations, please contact us at DSPSSBCredentialing@wi.gov

Select one*: AM (Starts at 8 a.m.) ☐ or PM (Starts at 1 p.m.) ☐

*some plumbing exams have 2 parts so you will be scheduled for both the AM and the PM session when taking both parts

Pewaukee – WCTC Education Center, 800 Main St, Pewaukee, WI 53072

2013 October 15 ☐ November 19 ☐ December 18 ☐

2014 January 8 ☐ February 12 ☐ March 12 ☐ April 9 ☐ May 14 ☐ June 11 ☐

July 9 ☐ August 13 ☐ September 10 ☐ October 8 ☐ November 12 ☐ December 10 ☐

Eau Claire – The Plaza Hotel & Suites, 1202 W Claremont Ave, Eau Claire, WI 54701

2013 December 3 ☐

2014 February 26 ☐ April 23 ☐ June 25 ☐ August 27 ☐ October 22 ☐

Appleton – Fox Valley Technical College, 1825 North Bluemound Dr, Appleton 54914

2013 November 5 ☐

2014 January 22 ☐ March 27 ☐ May 28 ☐ July 23 ☐ September 24 ☐ November 25 ☐

Method 2 – Proof of Current Licensure

The fee for applying for the credential using Method 2 is as specified in the following table:

Month Application is Mailed	Fee	Month Application is mailed	Fee	Month Application is Mailed	Fee
January	\$50.02	May	\$46.70	September	\$53.34
February	\$49.19	June	\$45.87	October	\$52.51
March	\$48.36	July	\$55.00	November	\$51.68
April	\$47.53	August	\$54.17	December	\$50.85

Record the amount of the fee you will be sending in the box below:

Fee Submitted (nonrefundable): \$ class code 7633

Make checks payable to: State of WI - DSPS. The credential will be effective for four years from June 30.

ATTACH to this form a copy of current certification as a:

Wisconsin Master or Journeyman Plumber, Wisconsin Master or Journeyman Plumber Restricted Service

Education Hours Required to Renew: The renewal of a credential as a certified POWTS Inspector is contingent upon the person obtaining at least 12 hours of acceptable continuing education **by March 31** of the year the credential expires. People unable to attend lectures or seminars may obtain the necessary hours through correspondence courses. Correspondence courses must also be completed at least three months prior to the expiration date. A person who holds a credential as a certified POWTS Inspector may apply to the department for waiver of the continuing education requirements on the grounds of prolonged illness or disability or similar circumstances. Each application for waiver shall be considered individually on its merits by the department.